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According to an embodiment, a biometric reference
information storage apparatus transmits, to the biometric
reference information certificate generation apparatus, a
5 biometric authentication context including the challenge
information, the hash value of the biometric reference
information, and a first digital signature. The biometric
reference information certificate generation apparatus
verifies the challenge information and the first digital
10 signature. The biometric reference information certificate
generation apparatus transmits a biometric reference
information certificate to the biometric reference
information storage apparatus. The biometric reference
information storage apparatus writes the biometric
15 reference information and the biometric reference
information certificate in storage means.